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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the specification and claims as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following for the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 14:

Since the traditional ground stations are generally located in remote, sparsely populated areas, taking advantage of commercially financed, installed, and maintained fiber optic networks is unlikely since there is no financial motivation for servicing such